REMARKS

There are still 25 claims in this application. The specification has been amended to include a cross-reference to related applications. Claims 24 and 25 have been amended to introduce the claim amendments of claim 1 submitted December 21, 2005 during the international stage of this application. Applicant respectfully submit that no new matter has been added by the present amendments.

It is submitted, therefore, that the claims are in condition for allowance. Allowance of claims 1 to 25 at an early date is solicited.

If there are any questions regarding the application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number below.

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